



# Building QuickTime-Savvy Applications

**Session 601**





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# QuickTime?



# QuickTime Overview

## QuickTime Toolbox

Streaming

ICM

Std  
Compression

StdSound

SeqGrab

## Component

Data

File

URL

Memory

...

Media

Video

Audio

Stream

VR

...

Control

Linear

None

VR

...

'imdc'



'imco'



'sdec'



'scom'



'clock'



'eat'



'spit'



'vout'



'vdig'



...



# Topics Covered

- Movies 101
- Images Import/Export
- Compression
- Data Handlers
- Video Processing
- QTVR
- Interactivity
- Mac OS X, Carbon
- Windows
- Carbon Movie Control
- Cocoa
- QuickTime Broadcaster





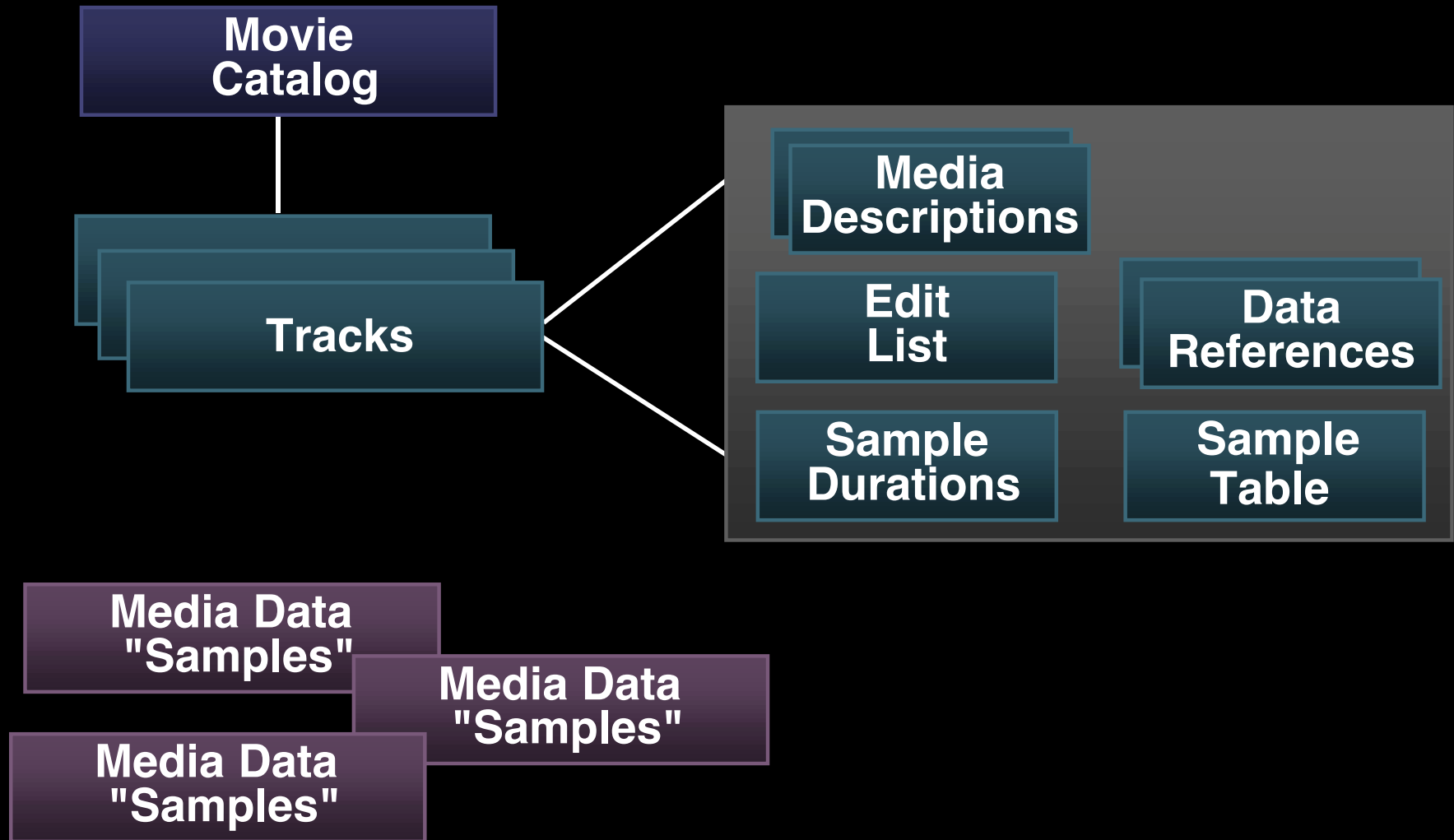
# Movies 101

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# What Is a Movie?



# Movie Is a Media Catalog







# Demo

**Movie Editing**

# Where Does Movie Data Come From?

- Local storage
  - Disk file (not necessarily a “.mov” file)
- Remote source
  - URL specified `http://` `rtsp://`
- Memory
  - Handle, Pointer or Resource
- Different pieces can come from different places



# Working With Movies

- **EnterMovies();**
  - Opening a movie
  - Tasking QuickTime
  - Movie playback
  - Editing
  - Saving
- Applications should *not* call **ExitMovies();**



# DataReference

- Abstracted location specifier
- Handle to a data structure
- DataRefType specifies accessor component
- DataReference & DataRefType ~ DataHandler
- Local file DataReference is an AliasHandle

```
QTNewAlias( &fsSpec, &dataRef, true );
```

```
DataRefType 'alis' ~ ~ AliasDataHandler
```



# Loading a Movie

**NewMovieFromDataRef()**

general form of **NewMovieFromFile()**

```
err = NewMovieFromDataRef (&movie, flags, 0,  
                             dataRef, dataRefType,);
```

Do not need to call **OpenMovieFile** or **CloseMovieFile**





# Demo

**FRONTBASE Data Handler**

# Movie Controllers

```
err = NewMovieFromDataRef (&movie, flags, 0,  
    dataRef, dataRefType);  
mc = NewMovieController (movie, &rect, mcFlags);  
  
// Run event loop. Task QuickTime with  
MCIPlayerEvent( )  
// Your MovieController communicates with the Movie  
  
// When you're finished with a movie...  
DisposeMovieController (mc); // remove controller first!  
DisposeMovie (movie);
```



# MovieController $\neq$ MovieController Bar



- The Movie Controller bar is a convenience interface
- You can attach a Movie Controller to your movie and gain all of its functionality without showing the bar





# Why Use Movie Controllers?

- They simplify control:

```
MCDoAction( mc, mcActionPrerollAndPlay,  
            (void *)myFixedRate );  
MCDoAction( mc, mcActionGoToTime,  
            (void *)aTimeRecord );  
MCDoAction( mc, mcSetKeysEnabled,  
            (void *)true );  
MCDoAction( mc, mcActionLinkToURL,  
            (void *)myURLHandle );
```



# Some Things Will Not Work Without Movie Controllers

- Interactivity
- QuickTime VR
- Streaming



# They Let You Query Your Movie

- Get movie info

```
curTime = MCGetCurrentTime ( mc, &theTimeScale );
```

```
err = MCGetControllerInfo ( mc, &myFlags );
```

```
if (myFlags & mcInfoPlaying)
```

```
    // the movie is currently playing
```



# Action Filters

```
MCSetActionFilter( mc, myActionFilterUPP);
```

```
Boolean myActionFilterCallback(  
    MovieController mc, short action, void *params )  
{  
    if( action == mcActionMovieClick ) {  
        (eventPtr)->what = nullEvent; // kill click  
        return true; // I've handled this action  
    }  
    else  
        return false; // handle this as usual  
}
```



# Tasking With Movie Controllers

- Give your movie processing time
- WaitNextEvent-based apps should call **MCIPlayerEvent()**
  - New in QT6: **QTGetTimeUntilNextTask()**
  - More on this later



# Support Movie Editing

```
MCEnableEditing( mc, true );
```

```
switch (editCmd) {  
    case kCut:      MCCut (mc); break;  
    case kCopy:    MCCopy (mc); break;  
    case kPaste:   MCPaste (mc, srcMovie); break;  
    case kClear:   MCClear (mc); break;  
    case kUndo:    MCUndo (mc); break;  
    case kTrim:    MCTrimMovieSegment(mc); break;  
    case kAdd:     MCAddMovieSegment (mc, srcMovie, scaled);  
}
```



# Adding Media Samples

- Adding compressed media data samples

**BeginMediaEdits()**

**AddMediaSample()**

**EndMediaEdits ()**

**InsertMediaIntoTrack ()**



# New Movie From Scratch

```
CreateMovieStorage (dataRef, dataRefType,  
creator, 0, kDataHCanRead | kDataHCanWrite,  
&dataHandler, &movie);
```

```
// add tracks and media
```

```
AddMovieToStorage (movie, dataHandler);  
CloseMovieStorage (dataHandler);  
DisposeMovie (movie);
```





# Support Long Unicode Names

- File Manager Based

## **FSSpec and file references**

OpenMovieFile, CloseMovieFile

CreateMovieFile, DeleteMovieFile

AddMovieResource, UpdateMovieResource

PutMovieIntoDataFork64

- Movie Storage API

## **DataReference and DataHandler**

OpenMovieStorage, CloseMovieStorage

CreateMovieStorage, DeleteMovieStorage

AddMovieToStorage, UpdateMovieInStorage

PutMovieIntoStorage



# Saving the Movie

- Create or update catalog in storage

```
err = AddMovieToStorage ( movie, dataHandler );  
err = UpdateMovieInStorage ( movie, dataHandler );
```

- Flattening

```
err = FlattenMovieDataToDataRef ( movie, flattenMovieFlags,  
dataRef, dataRefType, creator, 0, createMovieFlags );
```

- Exporting

```
err = ConvertMovieToFile ( movie, (Track)nil,  
(FSSpec*)nil, fileType, creator, 0, nil,  
exportMovieFlags, (Component)nil );
```



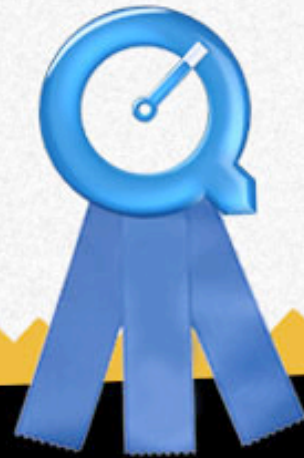
*Congratulations*



**Movies 101 Graduate**

Now go write some  
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# Video Processing

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# More Video

- Capture
- Compression
- Import
- Export



# Capture

- Sequence grabber
  - Audio
  - Video
- Source: HackTV



# Compression

- Video processing
  - Other
  - Live video
  - Stored movie
  - Movie playback
  - Learn more: Session 602



# Import/Export

- Open file types
- Save as file types
- “Print to Video”
- UI or API to configure







# Still Images

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# Still Images in QuickTime

- Graphics Importers
- Graphics Exporters
- Easy to use
- Opt-in for more powerful features



# Drawing Still Image Files

```
GetGraphicsImporterForDataRef(  
    dataRef, dataRefType, &gi );
```

```
GraphicsImportSetDestRect( gi, &rect );
```

```
GraphicsImportDraw( gi );
```

```
CloseComponent( gi );
```

- Draws BMP, FlashPix, GIF, JPEG, MacPaint, PDF (on Mac OS X), Photoshop, PICT, PNG, QTIF, TGA, TIFF, SGI, and others



# Graphics Importers Also Support . . . .

- Scale, rotate, perspective (improved in QT6)
- Transfer modes (blend, alpha composition)
- Clipping
- Reading metadata (e.g., Exif)
- Multiple images per file  
(Photoshop layers; TIFF pages; Exif thumbnails)
- Extensible by third parties (e.g., DICOM)



# Writing Still Image Files

```
OpenADefaultComponent(
```

```
    GraphicsExportComponentType,
```

```
    kQTFileTypeJPEG, &ge );
```

```
GraphicsExportSetInputGWorld( ge, gw );
```

```
GraphicsExportSetOutputDataReference( ge,  
    dataRef, dataRefType );
```

```
GraphicsExportDoExport( ge, nil );
```

```
CloseComponent( ge );
```

- Can write BMP, JPEG, MacPaint, Photoshop, PICT, PNG, QTIF, TGA, TIFF, SGI, and others



# Graphics Exporters Also . . .

- Provide user dialogs for format-specific options
- Store metadata (Exif)
- Write image thumbnails (Exif)
- Extensible by third parties (e.g., PhotoJazz)





# Demo

[http://developer.apple.com/samplecode/  
Sample\\_Code/QuickTime/Basics/  
ImproveYourImage.htm](http://developer.apple.com/samplecode/Sample_Code/QuickTime/Basics/ImproveYourImage.htm)



# Working With Interactive Movies

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# Interactive Movies

- Respond to mouse, button, and keyboard events
- These events may trigger actions
- Two interactive track types
  - QuickTime VR tracks
  - Flash tracks



# Interactive Movies

- Two “scriptable” track types
  - Text tracks
  - Sprite tracks
- You can add other interactive media types





# Demo

**Interactive Movies**

# Interactive Movies

- Must be associated with a movie controller
- Wired objects can send actions to other objects in a movie or even in another movie





# Demo

**Intermovie Communication**

# Skinned Movies

- A skinned movie is a movie with a custom window shape
- No window frame is drawn and no controller bar is visible
- Allow the content creator to specify the entire look and feel of a movie, but . . .
  - ...must provide a means of controlling movie (e.g., a wired sprite controller)





# Demo

**Skinned Movies**



# Writing Cross-Platform QuickTime Applications



# QuickTime and Windows

- QuickTime 3.0 provided identical APIs on Macintosh and Windows
- “Macintosh” data types are available on Windows, along with functions to create and dispose of instances of those types:

```
myBuffer = NewHandleClear(1024);
```

```
...
```

```
if (myBuffer != NULL)
```

```
    DisposeHandle(myBuffer);
```



# QuickTime Media Layer

- Provides support for those portions of the Macintosh OS and UI Toolbox needed by QuickTime, including:
  - Memory Manager
  - File Manager
  - Gestalt Manager
  - Control Manager
  - Window Manager
  - Dialog Manager
  - Resource Manager



# QuickTime Media Layer

- QTML is not a general-purpose porting layer
- QTML is a special-purpose porting layer; it is designed to allow developers to move QuickTime code to Windows quickly and easily

*“Write once, deliver many . . .”*



# Porting Issues

- Namespace conflicts
- Endianness of multibyte data
- Resource data conversion
- Modeless dialog boxes



# Namespace Conflicts

- Windows APIs overlap with some existing Mac APIs
- Mac APIs renamed to avoid this conflict:

**MacShowWindow**

**MacSetPort**

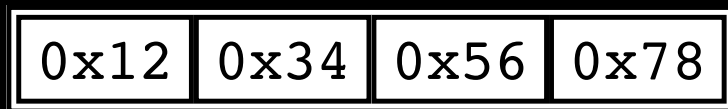
**MacInsertMenu**

**MacOffsetRect**

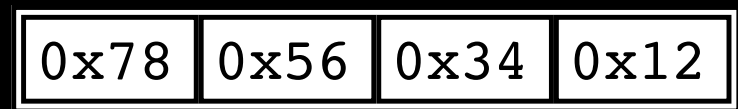


# Endian Issues

- Data in QuickTime movie files is big-endian; Windows is little-endian



**Big Endian**



**Little Endian**

- In general, you work with native-endian data:
  - Parameters to QuickTime APIs
  - Data returned by QuickTime APIs



# Endian Issues

- Sometimes data is returned in big-endian format

```
myUserData = GetMovieUserData(myMovie);
if (myUserData != NULL) {
    GetUserDataItem(myUserData, &myPoint, sizeof(Point),
        FOUR_CHAR_CODE('WLOC'), 0);
    myPoint.v = EndianS16_BtoN(myPoint.v);
    myPoint.h = EndianS16_BtoN(myPoint.h);
}
```



# Endian Issues

- Byte swapping necessary only for multi-byte data
  - *But*, not required for C or Pascal strings
- Byte swapping is necessary only when data is transferred between RAM and some external container (e.g., a file)
- Use the macros!





# Resource Data

- QTML supports Resource Manager
- On Windows, you need to explicitly open your application's resource fork:

```
myLength = GetModuleFileName(NULL, myName, MAX_PATH);  
NativePathNameToFSSpec(myName, &mySpec,  
    kFullNativePath);  
gAppResFile = FSpOpenResFile(& mySpec, fsRdWrPerm)  
UseResFile(gAppResFile );
```



# Resource Data

- Resource Manager returns native-endian data for known resource types
- For custom resources, you can write a *resource flipper* and install it with the Resource Manager:
  - **RegisterResourceEndianFilter**
- . . Or you can just flip the data yourself in your code



# Modeless Dialogs

- On Windows, we usually do not call `IsDialogEvent` or `DialogSelect`
- Instead, install a callback function to handle Windows messages for a modeless dialog box  
**`SetModelessDialogCallbackProc`**
- . . Or, consider using native Windows APIs for complex dialog boxes



# QuickTime and Carbon

- Carbon *is* a porting layer
- Some Carbon changes will affect our Windows code:

```
myID = (**myMenuHdl).menuID;           // pre-Carbon

myID = GetMenuID(myMenuHdl); // Carbon

// Windows or pre-Carbon Mac code
#if !ACCESSOR_CALLS_ARE_FUNCTIONS
#define GetMenuID(mHdl)                 (** mHdl).menuID
#endif
```





# Tasking QuickTime

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# Tasking QuickTime

- “Inside Macintosh: QuickTime” says you should task QuickTime  
regularly . . .  
as often as possible . . .
- There is a lot of folklore about this



There Has Got  
to Be a  
Better Way!



# New in QuickTime 6

- An API you can use to find out when QuickTime needs to be tasked next
  - **WaitNextEvent**-based apps can call it to get the number of Ticks to pass to WNE
  - **CarbonEventLoopTimer**-based apps can call it to schedule a timer's next fire time
  - Working sample code available





But You Should  
Not Have  
To Do This



# Higher Level Abstractions on Mac OS X

- For Cocoa:
  - **NSMovieView** (smarter with QT6)
- For Carbon:
  - **MovieControl** (new in QT6)



# Carbon MovieControl

- Manages the playback and manipulation of QuickTime Movies
- Always creates a movie controller (can be hidden)
- Handles events
  - Mouse and keyboard events
  - Can participate in Edit menu and edit command handling
- The app can install event handlers, too



# Carbon MovieControl

```
CreateMovieControl(theWindow, nil, theMovie, 0, &theControl);  
RunApplicationEventLoop();
```

- That's all you have to do . . .
- Working sample code available





# Demo

**Carbon MovieControl**



# QuickTime Broadcaster

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# QuickTime Broadcaster

- Cocoa Application using QuickTime
- Classes encapsulate QuickTime functional groups
  - Sequence Grabber
  - Standard Compression
  - Broadcast APIs





# Demo

**QuickTime Broadcaster**



# Roadmap

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**602 QuickTime for Video-Intensive Apps**

Room A2  
**Wed., 2:00pm**

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**603 Media Integration With QuickTime**

Room A2  
**Wed., 3:30pm**

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**604 Delivering Content via Interactive QuickTime**

Room A2  
**Wed., 5:00pm**

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**605 Developing QuickTime Components**

Room A2  
**Fri., 9:00am**



# Roadmap

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**606 QuickTime for the Web**

Room A2  
**Fri., 2:00pm**

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**607 QuickTime and MPEG-4:  
A Technical Overview**

Room A2  
**Fri., 3:30pm**

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**812 QuickTime Streaming Server 4**

Civic  
**Thurs., 2:00pm**

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**FF010 QuickTime**

Room J1  
**Fri., 10:30am**



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# For More Information

- QuickTime online documentation  
[developer.apple.com/quicktime](http://developer.apple.com/quicktime)
- QuickTime sample code  
[developer.apple.com/samplecode/Sample\\_Code/QuickTime](http://developer.apple.com/samplecode/Sample_Code/QuickTime)



# Reminder

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The QuickTime Engineering Team  
Is Holding a “Hands-On Lab” Everyday  
From 1:00—4:00pm in Room G . . Stop By!

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